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COMMISSIONER NICK FISH APPOINTS POLICY STAFF

Commissioner Nick Fish today appointed Carmen Caballero Rubio as Senior Policy Advisor. She will serve as policy advisor, communications manager, and as a bureau liaison.

For over three years Rubio served as the Community Affairs Director for Portland Mayor Tom Potter, where she acted as lead contact on community partnerships, outreach and recruitment, and civil and human rights issues. She managed projects such as the creation of the Office of Human Relations and Human Rights Commission, and the Immigrant and Refugee Task Force.

"I'm delighted Carmen has agreed to join my team. She represents the best of Portland's emerging new leaders, with valuable policy experience both in and outside City Hall. Her relationships with a broad range of communities will bring a diversity of new voices to participate in city government," said Commissioner Fish.

Rubio is Fish's third appointment, joining Chief of Staff Sam Chase and Senior Policy Director Hannah Kuhn. She is a graduate of the University of Oregon and attended the University of Washington Graduate School of Communications. She is a Hispanic Chamber Leadership Fellow, and serves on the boards of Hands on Greater Portland, Oregon League of Minority Voters, and JustPortland.

Rubio grew up in Hillsboro, Oregon and now resides in Northeast Portland's Roseway neighborhood.